CNG outlets in Rajasthan

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of CNG outlets which have been opened during the last year in the various States for the use of vehicles;

(b) whether there are any CNG outlets in any city of the State of Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons for not opening the CNG outlets in the State of Rajasthan; and

(d) what is the time-limit for opening CNG outlets in the State of Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL) : (a) The details of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) outlets opened during the financial year 2005-06 is tabulated below:

States/cities	No. of CNG outlets opened during 2005-06
National Capital Region Delhi	13
Maharashtra	23
Gujarat	17
Andhra Pradesh	5

(b) to (d) The expansion of CNG infrastructure in different cities in the country is being taken up in a phased manner. At present, there is no CNG outlet in Rajasthan. However, an MoU has been signed by GAIL to form a Joint Venture Company to implement City Gas distribution projects in the cities of Rajasthan subject to availability of natural gas.